

Remarks

Claims 1-3, 5-19, 28-32, 37-46, and 56-63 are pending. The Examiner has withdrawn her rejections under 35 USC §§ 101, 102, 103, and 112. The Examiner has also withdrawn the double patenting rejection over U.S. Serial No. 09/626,213. The Examiner has upheld the provisional rejection of the above claims under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over co-pending U.S. Application Nos. 10/027,593, 10/028,857, 09/690,197, 09/690,198, 09/873,142, and 09/873,164. U.S. Serial Nos. 09/873,142 and 09/873,164 stand abandoned and the rejection is thus moot. The Examiner has noted that the Applicants agreed to submit Terminal Disclaimer to overcome the double patenting rejection.

Enclosed herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer to overcome the double patenting rejection against the pending applications. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees associated with this submission to Deposit Account No. 11-0980.

Respectfully submitted,



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